

REMARKS

The following claims are pending in the application: 1 – 21.

The following claims have been amended: Not applicable

The following claims have been deleted: 21

The following claims have been added: Not applicable

As a result of the foregoing Amendment, the following claims remain pending in the application: 1 – 20.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's favorable comments regarding the allowability of claims 1 through 20.

The Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

The Examiner has rejected claim 21 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicants have cancelled claim 20 without prejudice thereby rendering the Examiner's outstanding rejection moot.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendment and accompanying remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is properly in condition for allowance and may be passed to issuance upon payment of the appropriate fees.

Telephone inquiry to the undersigned in order to clarify or otherwise expedite prosecution of the subject application is respectfully encouraged.

Respectfully submitted,

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